

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 are pending in the application. In the office action dated June 1, 2005, the Examiner rejected all pending claims.

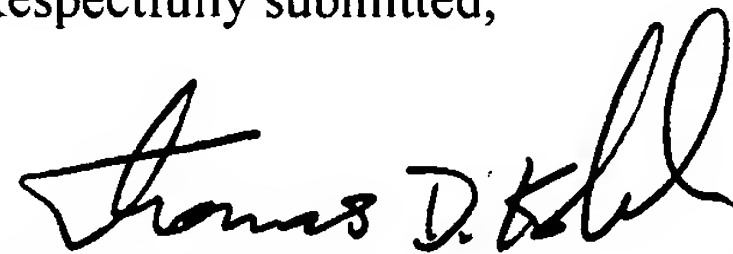
In this amendment claim 1 has been amended and new claims 6 and 7 are added. No new matter is added. Support for the amendments is found, inter alia, in the specification at pages 3 and 4 and in Figs. 1 and 3.

The rejection of the claims is respectfully traversed. The members 242 and 244 of the cited reference to Cottone are not reinforcement members as recited. The claims have been amended to clarify the relationship of the reinforcement members to the other parts of the claimed structure. For example, the cited reference does not show tube plate parts that form an oil circulation space with a separate oil passage defined in a longitudinal direction extending therefrom. Moreover, because the recited reinforcements are reinforcements, they extend for less than the distance of the oil passage as a hole. This is shown, for example in Fig. 1 of the instant application and now recited in claim 1 and new claim 6 by virtue of the first and second relative distances. New claim 7 also recites that the reinforcements have a curved end to mate with the tube plate. This is also not shown in the cited reference.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that the application as a whole is in form for allowance. Should the Examiner have any continuing objections, the Applicants respectfully ask the Examiner to contact the undersigned at 415-442-1106 in order to expedite allowance of the case. Authorization is granted to charge any outstanding fees due at this time for the continued prosecution of this matter to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (matter no. 060945-171).

Respectfully submitted,

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